

**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT
FOR SUPPLEMENTAL ALLOWANCE**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Simkovic on August 3, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

Rewrite claim 1 as applicant's proposed amendment submitted on July 31, 2009 as following:

1. (Currently amended) A portable vehicle cover including:

a base frame;

a plurality of transversely extending hoop members, each hoop member being releasably connected to the base frame, where the plurality of transversely extending hoop members include at least two hoop members that substantially extend diagonally across the base frame in a cruciform orientation;

at least two hingedly connected vehicle tire engaging pads extending laterally from the base frame, each of the tire engaging pads including a length adjustment portion adjustably rotatable about an axis perpendicular to a plane defined by the base frame to accommodate vehicles having different wheelbase lengths; and

a flexible cover engagable with the plurality of transversely extending hoop members and

securable to the vehicle tire engaging pads to form a weather shield for the vehicle.

In claim 9:

Line 1, changes “the frame” to --the base frame--.

In claim 23:

Line 2, before “at least two hoop members”, inserts “the”

In claim 33:

Line 4, before “diagonally” inserts --of the--.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-5, 7-24, 27-30, and 32-34 are allowed.

Inquiry Contacts

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Winnie Yip whose telephone number is 571-272-6870. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (9:30-5:30).

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